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FOOD SUPPLIES & CONSUMER WELFARE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 18th May 2009

No. 10798—FS.(C)-8/2009—The following order issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Consumer's Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs) vide G.S.R. No. 164 (E), dated the 12th March 2009 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part-II, Section 3(i) is hereby republished in the *Orissa Gazette* for general information.

MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (Department of Food and Public Distribution)

ORDER

New Delhi, the 12th March 2009

G. S. R. 164 (E)—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, read with the Clause 5 of the Sugar (Control) Order, 1966, the Central Government hereby directs that no recognized dealer of sugar shall hold any stock of vacuum pan sugar for a period exceeding thirty days from the date of receipt by him of such stock and shall not keep in stock at any time vacuum pan sugar in the places mentioned below in excess of the quantities mentioned against each—

- (i) in Kolkata and extended area—
 - (a) recognized dealers who import sugar from outside West Bengal—10,000 quintals;
 - (b) other recognized dealers—2000 quintals;
- (ii) in other places—2000 quintals :

Provided that nothing in this order shall apply to the holding or keeping of stock of sugar.

- (i) on Government account; or
- (ii) by the recognized dealers nominated by a State Government or an officer authorized by it to hold stock for distribution through fair price shops; or
- (iii) by the Food Corporation of India:

Provided further that the aforesaid stock holding limit or turn over period of stocks will not apply to sugar importers under open General Licence.

Further, in exercise of powers conferred by Clause 15 of the said order, the Central Government authorizes the State Governments or Union Territory Administrations to fix the stock holding and turn over limits in their respective States or Union Territories subject to the following conditions:

- (i) the stock holding limit and/or the turn over period shall not be less than the limit or period as being specified above by the Central Government; and
- (ii) the stock holding limit of a recognized dealer dealing in retail trade shall be at a level less than that specified for a wholesaler.

Explanation:—For the purpose of this Notification-

- "Kolkata and extended area" means the area specified in the schedule to the notification of the Government of West Bengal No. 7752/FS/F.5/14R92/61, dated the 16th December 1964; and
- (ii) for counting the period of holding of the stock, the date on which any stock is received by the recognized dealer shall be included.
- 2. This Order shall come into force after fifteen days of its publication in the Official Gazette and shall remain into force for a period of four months thereafter.

[F. No. 1-17/98-SPY.D-II] N. SANYAL Joint Secretary

By order of the Governor

RAJ KUMAR SHARMA

Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government